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Dear Governor Brown:

I am concerned about inhumane detention. The Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency has set up its own extrajudicial prison system which lacks the constitutional protections such as habeas corpus and judicial oversight. There are repugnant reports of abuses such as separating parents from children, lack of access to families or counsel and lengthy lockdowns. AB103 provides at least for fact finding and General Becerra should soon be reporting on the Richmond facility leased to ICE by Contra Costa. This report has become even more urgent this past week when CIVIC (partly responsible for drafting AB103) was banned from visiting detainees apparently for such violations as identifying themselves to those they were visiting, communicating with families and making deposits to their commissary accounts. This inhumane travesty of justice reminiscent of the Japanese interment camps and must be shut down.

Please assure me that fact finding will be used to close ICE jails.

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our constitution.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson